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A Notice of Appeal was filed on **October 8, 2004** in response to the Final Action dated **April 9, 2004**. Applicants are filing a Request for Continued Prosecution in lieu of the Appeal Brief due on December 8, 2004. Accordingly, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.
- ☒ **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.